

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT
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Department of Gram Volunteers/Ward Volunteers and Village Secretariats/Ward Secretariats – WP (C).Nos.1227/2023 filed by the Citizen for Democracy represented by its Secretary Vs Election Commission of India and others – Engaged Senior Advocates – Payment of advocate fee – Orders – Issued.

DEPARTMENT OF GRAM VOLUNTEERS / WARD VOLUNTEERS &
VILLAGESECRETARIATS / WARD SECRETARIATS

G.O.Rt.No.24

Dated:13.12.2023.

Read the following:-

1. G.O.Ms.No.24, Law (G) Dept., dated:03.06.2021.
2. G.O.Rt.No.288, Law (G) Dept., Dt:31.08.2023.
3. From the General Administration (Protocol-B) Dept., received through e-file No.2281919, Dt:28.11.2023 along with the letter of Sri Mahfooz A.Nazki, Advocate-on-Record, Supreme Court of India, New Delhi, Dated:27.11.2023.
4. G.O.Rt.No.23, Dept., of GV/WV&VS/WS, Dt:13.12.2023 .

ORDER :

The Citizen for Democracy represented by its Secretary has filed WP (C).Nos.1227/2023 before the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India against Election Commission of India and others regarding preventing the Village and Ward Volunteer functionaries from involvement in the process of preparation of Electoral Related functions.

2. In the G.O.1st read above read with G.O. 2nd read above, the Law Department have issued orders regarding engagement and payment of fee of Senior Counsel before the Hon'ble Supreme Court for the State of Andhra Pradesh in supersession of existing orders.

3. In the letter 3rd read above, the Advocate-on-Record, Supreme Court of India has stated that, he has discussed the matter with the Learned Advocate General, and considering the importance of the matter, it is suggested that Senior Counsel be engaged in the matter. Therefore, the Advocate-on-Record has requested to grant formal approval for the appearances/engagement of Sri Mukul Rohatgi, Senior Advocate and Sri S. Niranjan Reddy, Senior Advocate, in the above-mentioned matter. Further he has informed that the fee of Sri Mukul Rohatgi, Senior Advocate before the Hon'ble Supreme Court is Rs.16,50,000/- per appearance for miscellaneous hearing and Rs.25,00,000/- per appearance for a detailed / final hearing. Additionally, conference fee is Rs.5,00,000/- would also be payable for detailed hearing. The fee of Sri Ranjit Kumar, Senior Advocate is Rs.7,50,000/- (including conference). The appearance fees of Sri S. Niranjan Reddy, Senior Advocate is Rs.2,20,000/- per appearance. Additionally, conference fee is Rs.1,10,000/- per conference. Accordingly, in the G.O.4th read above, orders have been issued an administrative approval for the appearances/engagements of Sri Mukul Rohatgi, Senior Advocate Sri Ranjit Kumar, Senior Advocate and Sri S. Niranjan Reddy, Senior Advocate in WP (C).Nos.1227/2023 filed by the Citizen for

Democracy represented by its Secretary Vs Election Commission of India and others, on behalf of the State of Andhra Pradesh before the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.

4. After careful examination of the matter, Government hereby accord administrative approval for payment of fee to Senior Advocates for appearances / engagement in WP (C).Nos.1227/2023 before the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India as detailed below:

S.No.	Details	Amount in Rs.
Sri Mukul Rohatgi, Senior Advocate		
1	Fee per appearance for miscellaneous hearing	16,50,000/-
2	appearance for a detailed / final hearing	25,00,000/-
3	conference fee	5,00,000/-
Sri Ranjit Kumar, Senior Advocate		
1	Fee per appearance with conference	7,50,000/-
Sri S. Niranjan Reddy, Senior Advocate		
1.	Fee per appearance with conference	2,20,000/-
2.	Conference fee per conference	1,10,000/-

5. The Resident Commissioner, A.P. Bhavan, New Delhi shall take necessary action towards payment of fee to the Senior Counsel for appearances and conferences before the Supreme Court of India in respect of the above mentioned matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

AJAY JAIN
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (FAC)

To

The Resident Commissioner, A.P. Bhavan, New Delhi.

Sri Mahafooz Ahsan Nazki, Advocate-on-Record, Office of the Standing Counsel for the State of Andhra Pradesh, 1, Ashok Road, Andhra Pradesh Bhavan, New Delhi.

The Pay and Accounts Officer, A.P., Mangalagiri.

The Director of Treasuries & Accounts, A.P., Mangalagiri.

The Accountant General, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.

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The General Administration (Prot-B) Dept., A.P., Secretariat.

The PS to Prl. Secretary to Govt., (Poll), GAD, A.P., Secretariat.

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//FORWARDED:: BY ORDER//

5. *Mary Rahamani*
SECTION OFFICER.